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SUBJECT: DETAINED AMERICAN MISSIONARIES

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- 1. ANTONIO DE SILVA MARQUES SA, BORN IN MOZAMBIQUE OF PORT-UGUESE PARENTS, AND RECENTLY EXPELLED FROM MOZAMBIQUE CALLED AT EMBASSY TODAY TO REPORT ON CONDITION OF MILAM, DOLL AND FRIBERG. LIKE ACACIO A. LOBO, SA ALSO KNEW THE THREE MISSIONARIES WHILE IN JAIL (SEE LISBON 1628 NOTAL) AND WAS ASKED BY THEM TO CONTACT THE EMBASSY. HE LAST SAW THE MISSIONARIES ON MARCH 12.
- 2. SA'S MESSAGE WAS MUCH THE SAME AS LOBO'S, EXCEPT THAT HE EMPHASIZED THE DRAIN ON THE MEN'S MENTAL HEALTH THAT THE CONTINUED IMPRISONMENT IS HAVING. HE ALSO REPORTED THAT DOLL HAS DEVELOPED A PERSISTANT COUGH.
- 3. FROM WHAT SA HAD TO SAY, IT WOULD BE PARTICULARLY HELPFUL IF THE EMBASSY COULD GET A MESSAGE TO THE PRISONERS SIMPLY SAYING THAT THE EMBASSY KNOWS ABOUT THEIR CASE AND IS TRYING TO EFFECT THEIR RELEASE. APPARENTLY THEY KNOW NOTHING OF THE EFFORTS BEING MADE IN THEIR BEHALF AND FEEL ENTIRELY ABANDONED.

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4. SA ALSO ASKED THAT WORD BE SENT TO THE BRAZILIAN AUTHORITIES ON BEHALF OF THE PRISONERS' FOURTH COLLEAGUE, CLECIUS POTICUAR

ARAUJO, A BRAZILIAN CITIZEN RESIDENT AT RUA 58, NO. 89, SETOR
CENTRAL, 74000 GOIANA, GOIAS, BRAZIL.
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